

The Honorable Benjamin H. Settle

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

FRANCISCO RODRIGUEZ-PEREZ,

Defendants.

No. CR13-05597 BHS

STIPULATION OF PARTIES, AND
ORDER, CONTINUING
DEADLINE FOR PRETRIAL MOTIONS

COME NOW defendant Francisco Rodriguez-Perez, by and through his attorney, Christopher Black, and the United States of America, by and through Mark Parrent, Assistant United States Attorney for the Western District of Washington, and present the following stipulation to the court.

STIPULATION

WHEREAS:

1. Defendant Francisco Rodriguez-Perez ("Mr. Rodriguez") is represented in this matter by Christopher Black. The Government is represented by Assistant United States Attorney Mark Parrent.
2. Mr. Rodriguez is one of six defendants charged by indictment with various counts relating to controlled substances and firearms.

- 1 3. Trial is currently set for April 8, 2014. The current pretrial motions deadline is February
2 6, 2014.
- 3 4. Defense counsel has identified a number of evidentiary issues present in Mr.
4 Rodriguez's case and advised the government of these evidentiary issues by letter.
- 5 5. The government and the defense are actively pursuing resolution of this matter short of
6 trial based on the aforementioned evidentiary issues. The parties have not been able to
7 reach a conclusion of those discussions and require additional time to complete
8 negotiations.
- 9 6. The parties anticipate being able to either reach a resolution, or come to a determination
10 that the case will not resolve short of trial, by February 24, 2014.
- 11 7. If the parties are able to reach resolution, it will save the defense the resources required
12 to prepare any motions, the government the resources required to respond to the
13 motions, both parties the resources required to prepare for any hearing on the motions,
14 and the Court from needing to hold a hearing and prepare rulings on the motions.
- 15 8. Given that the trial date in this matter is more than two months away, the parties submit
16 that continuing the pretrial motions deadline to February 24, 2014, should not delay the
17 proceedings, and that a continuance of the pretrial motions deadline will promote the
18 interests of justice.
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1 THE PARTIES THEREFORE STIPULATE:

2 That deadline for submitting pretrial motions should be extended to February 24, 2014.

3 **ORDER**

4 Based on the foregoing stipulation, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the deadline for
5 submitting pretrial motions is continued to 2/24/2014.

6 DATED THIS 19 day of February, 2014

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11 United States District Court Judge
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